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SUMMARY: THE LAP PEOPLE'S REVOLUTIONARY PARTY NEWSPAPER  
"VOICE OF THE PEOPLE" ON AUGUST 13 CARRIED A FRONT PAGE  
ARTICLE OUTLINING LAO FOREIGN POLICY AND REPEATING VERBATIM  
PORTIONS OF PRIME MINISTER KAYSONE'S JUNE 12 SPEECH TO THE  
LAO SUPREME PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY WHICH ATTACKED THE U.S.

1. THE ARTICLE QUOTES KAYSONE AS STATING: "IF THE AMERICAN  
GOVERNMENT FAILS TO LEARN THE LESSON FROM ITS DEFEAT IN THE  
PAST, PERSISTS IN SUPPORTING THE REACTIONARY FORCES FOR THE  
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PURPOSE OF INTERFERING IN OUR INTERNAL AFFAIRS, AND FAILS TO  
KEEP ITS PLEDGE TO HEAL THE WOUNDS OF WAR IN OUR COUNTRY, NONE

OF WHICH SERVES TO PROMOTE BETTER RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR GOVERNMENT AND THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, IT ALONE MUST BEAR THE BURDEN OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE DAMAGES RESULTING FROM ITS STRATAGEMS AND EVIL DEEDS."

2. THE ARTICLE WENT ON TO ATTACK U.S. POLICY IN THE CONTEXT OF A COMMENTARY ON LAO-THAI RELATIONS, ALSO QUOTING FROM KAYSONE'S JUNE 12 SPEECH: "IF THE THAI GOVERNMENT CONTINUES TO CONSPIRE WITH AMERICA, FINDING WAYS TO MAINTAIN THE AMERICAN BASES AND TROOPS IN THAILAND...HOW CAN THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES POSSIBLY BE IMPROVED?"

3. COMMENT: THE ARTICLE'S USE OF KAYSONE'S TWO MONTH OLD STATEMENTS ABOUT LAO-U.S. RELATIONS AND U.S. POLICY IN THE AREA SUGGESTS THAT THERE HAS BEEN LITTLE EVOLUTION IN THE LPDR PERCEPTION OF THE U.S. DURING THE PERIOD.  
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